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Via Electronic Delivery

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Federal Communications Commission
The Portals, TW-A325
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Notice of Ex Parte Presentation – *Application of Comcast Corporation, General Electric Company and NBC Universal, Inc. for Consent to Assign Licenses or Transfer Control of Licensees*, MB Dkt. 10-56

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Tuesday, January 4, 2011, Rolla P. Huff, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of EarthLink, Inc., discussed the above-referenced proceeding with Commissioner Clyburn, Dave Grimaldi, Chief of Staff and Media Legal Advisor, and Angela Kronenberg, Wireline Legal Advisor.

Specifically, Mr. Huff discussed the opportunities and risks of the proposed transaction. He explained that the record shows that the Comcast-NBCU combination will cause broadband prices to go up, especially for lower-income consumers that rely on standalone broadband or those who cannot afford or do not want Comcast's bundles. They discussed how a condition requiring commercially-based wholesale broadband access to independent broadband providers such as EarthLink is a proven remedy that relies upon competition and market forces to keep prices in check, improve broadband services, and meet consumers' needs. Mr. Huff noted that by insisting that the proposed merger be conditioned on this successful mechanism, the FCC will be taking a major step to help ensure that consumers living in Comcast territory will enjoy affordable broadband and diversity of choice post-merger.

Pursuant to the Commission's rules, one copy of this memorandum is being filed electronically in the above-referenced docket for inclusion in the public record and distributed to the meeting participants via email. Please do not hesitate to contact me directly if you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,



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